

**MINUTES**

The monthly meeting of the Downers Grove Sanitary District Board of Trustees was held on Tuesday, June 27, 2023, convening at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the District's Administration Center, 2710 Curtiss Street, Downers Grove. Present were Trustees Wally D. Van Buren, Amy E. Sejnost, Jeremy M. Wang, General Manager Amy R. Underwood, Administrative Supervisor Carly S. Shaw, and Attorney Dan McCormick. Ronald Kaminski, a resident of the District residing at 720 65<sup>th</sup> St in Downers Grove, also attended.

Minutes of Regular Meeting – May 16, 2023

A motion was made by Trustee Wang seconded by Trustee Sejnost approving the minutes of the regular meeting held on May 16, 2023 and authorizing the President and Clerk to sign same. The motion carried. (Votes recorded: Ayes–Van Buren, Sejnost, and Wang.)

Claim Ordinance No. 1926

A motion was made by Trustee Sejnost seconded by Trustee Wang adopting Claim Ordinance No. 1926 in the total amount of \$1,081,570.33 as presented and authorizing the President and Clerk to sign same. The motion carried. (Votes recorded: Ayes–Van Buren, Sejnost and Wang.)

Public Comment – Refer to the BURP Appeal summary for Public Comment.

New Business

2023 Tax Levy Ordinance

Administrative Supervisor Shaw presented the proposed Levy Ordinance for Fiscal Year 23-24 in the amount of \$1,501,578 for sanitary sewer repairs and replacements and repayments of loans under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 / Illinois Environmental Protection Agency's Water Pollution Control Loan Program. This levy will be reflected in real estate tax bills due in 2023. A motion was made by Trustee Wang seconded by Trustee Sejnost adopting the Levy Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 in the amount of \$1,501,578 for sanitary sewer repairs and replacements and repayments of loans under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 / Illinois Environmental Protection Agency's Water Pollution Control Loan Program and authorizing the President and Clerk to sign same, adopting the Certificate of Levy and authorizing the Clerk to sign same, and authorizing Assistant Clerk Shaw to sign the Certificate of Inapplicability. The motion carried. (Votes recorded: Ayes-Van Buren, Sejnost and Wang.)

Administrative Supervisor Shaw presented a memo reviewing the calculation and application of the Levy Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 reflected in real estate tax bills paid in 2022. This item was for informational purposes only.

### BURP Program Limit Amendment Ordinance 23-03

Staff presented Ordinance No. 23-03 amending the limits of the Backup Reimbursement Program (BURP), increasing it from \$2,500 to \$3,500. A motion was made by Trustee Sejnost seconded by Trustee Wang approving Ordinance 23-03 as presented and authorizing the Clerk and President to sign the same. The motion carried. (Votes recorded: Ayes–Van Buren, Sejnost and Wang.)

### BURP Appeal 720 65<sup>th</sup> St. Downers Grove

Administrative Supervisor Shaw presented an appeal to the BURP limits from a resident at 720 65<sup>th</sup> St. in Downers Grove. Ronald Kaminski, owner of the property, was in attendance and appealed against the \$2,500 limit requesting reimbursement in full for expenses from damage incurred from a backup due to a mainline blockage in his basement totaling \$6,530.12. The recommendation of staff was to reimburse Mr. Kaminski the \$3,500 limit approved by the Board under Ordinance No. 23-03. A motion was made by Trustee Wang seconded by Trustee Sejnost approving reimbursement of \$3,500 as presented. The motion carried. (Votes recorded: Ayes–Van Buren, Sejnost and Wang.)

### 2023 Painting Services Contract Award

General Manager Underwood reviewed the bid opening on June 14 for the 2023 Painting Services project. Work includes protective coatings on Secondary Clarifier 7 and Intermediate Clarifier 3, painting the grit building basement, a portion of the tunnels, and equipment and piping at the Wroble and College Lift Stations. Three bids were received for this project. Staff recommends that the District award the project to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, G.P. Maintenance Services, Inc. of Palos Hills, Illinois, in the amount of \$159,500. A motion was made by Trustee Sejnost seconded by Trustee Wang awarding the contract for the 2023 Painting Services to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, G.P. Maintenance Services, Inc. in the amount of \$159,500 and authorizing the General Manager and Assistant Clerk to sign the same. The motion carried. (Votes recorded: Ayes–Van Buren, Sejnost and Wang.)

### Other New Business

Trustee Sejnost noted the CHP electricity generated in the month of May and inquired about the status of the CHP 2 repairs. She commented on the driveway replacement at Venard Lift Station. She noted Nick Whitefleet’s attendance of the OSHA 30-hour training. She also made mention of Jeff Barta’s upcoming retirement. She also inquired about any protective measures for staff in dealing with the smoke pollution that is currently happening and requested they stay indoors as much as possible.

Trustee Wang noted the decrease in COVID detected in the District’s wastewater.

Trustee Van Buren commented on the delay of the piping for the Outfall project. He also noted Jeff Barta’s upcoming retirement. He noted the savings on the sidewalk replacements at the WWTC. He also inquired on the violation of the swimming pool that was drained into our sewer lines.

A motion was made by Trustee Sejnost seconded by Trustee Wang to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:32 p.m. The motion carried.

Approved: July 18, 2023

/s/Wallace D. Van Buren/s/  
President

Attest: /s/Jeremy M. Wang/s/  
Clerk